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STAFF SERGEANT PROMOTIONS

Briefly

■ Air Force promotion rates soar to more than 64 percent selected. That's almost 15-percent higher than last year's percentage. Seymour and Air Combat Command also had a selection rate of 64 percent. For a complete list of the selectees from Seymour, see **Pages 8 & 9**.

430 wing airmen selected for SSgt

Wright Times Staff Report

Four-hundred thirty 4th Fighter Wing senior airmen received notification Thursday they were among the 64-percent of E-4s in the Air Force who were selected for promotion to staff sergeant.

This is the highest promotion rate in the history of the weighted airmen promotion system, according to officials at the Air Force Personnel Center.

With this many promotees,

many senior airmen were promoted after only their first time testing. In fact, the average time in service of the selectees was four and a half years. The average time in grade was less than two.

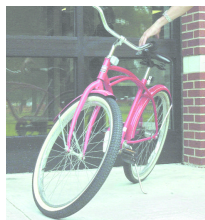
One of the airmen who made it their first time was Senior Airman Rhiannon Willard, a photographer in the 4th Communications Squadron.

"I was pretty excited and very surprised," Willard said. "I thought there was a slim chance

I would make it. I have been in three and a half years, I don't have any medals and I wasn't sure if I was going to stay in when I took the test. It must have been meant to be.

More than 20,000 made the grade Air Force wide, out of 32,170 eligible. Seymour's selection percentage almost matched that of Air Combat Command, which had a 64.12 percent rate and the Air Force's 64.6 percent rate. Seymour had a rate of 64.1 percent.

Bike thefts on rise



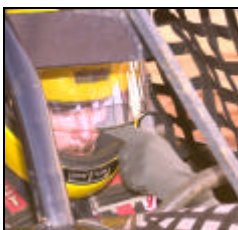
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Airman 1st Class Charity Jules / WT

Senior Airman Rhiannon Willard, a photographer in the 4th Communications Squadron, earned one of the highest line numbers in the wing. Like Willard, this was the first time testing for many selectees.

UP FRONT FOCUS | 'Dirty' racing



(Right) Senior Airman Paul Shreiner races his 1977 Chevrolet Nova Friday nights at the Wayne County Speedway in Pikeville. (Above) Shreiner wipes dirt from his eyes after his practice run around the track.



Senior Airman Bryan Bouchard / WT

4 CES airman spends his
Fridays driving in the ...

FAST LANE

By Senior Airman Bryan Bouchard
Public Affairs

Senior Airman Paul Shreiner spends his weekdays working as a carpenter, sheet metal technician and fixing other various facility problems on base as an airman in the 4th Civil Engineer Squadron. But come Friday nights, he's one of the fiercest competitors to hit the dirt oval at the Wayne County Speedway in Pikeville.

About three months ago, Shreiner and his

wife Franny, spent \$3,000 on a bright yellow 1977 Chevrolet Nova. Ever since then, he and a handful of rowdy supporters have graced the red clay track at Wayne County Speedway with their own brand of hooting and hollering for the yellow No. 9 car.

"This was my tenth race," Shreiner said about his race July 13. He's only been racing since April.

He said he bought the car and wanted to start racing because it was something he always wanted to do.

"My wife's family races cars, and my mom is really into racing," he said.

Shreiner races in the Super Stock category, which is one class higher than he should be racing.

Super Stock cars have a lot more power than Shreiner's, said Franny.

"When we first started racing, there was only one other car in my bracket," he said. "So I had to move up to the next bracket."

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NEW TECHNOLOGY



Airman 1st Class Charity Jules / WT

Airman Joseph Huff (right), an aircraft structural maintenance journeyman, paints an F-15E July 12 as Staff Sgt. Nathan Smith (left) supervises.

EMS flight tests new topcoat

By Airman 1st Class
Charity Jules
Public Affairs

Seymour Johnson has been selected as a test base for a new aircraft topcoat paint process that may extend the time between required topcoats on the F-15E Strike Eagle.

"The basic idea behind the change is to extend the time period between topcoats for the air-

craft," said Tech. Sgt. Michael Bourdon, corrosion superintendent of the 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron's aircraft structural maintenance shop. "The paint itself is more expensive, but if the paint performs as well as it is expected to, it will enable us to extend the time period between topcoats from two to three years to possibly four to

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COMACC TO CSAF

Jumper named next CSAF

LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Va. (ACCNS) - President Bush announced July 16 his nomination of Gen. John P. Jumper to become chief of staff of the U.S. Air Force.

Jumper is currently the commander of Air Combat Command.

"I am deeply honored to have been nominated to serve as the next chief of staff of the greatest Air Force in the world," he said. "This is an exciting time in our

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Senior Airman Bryan Bouchard / WT

Capt. Brian Beals of the 335th Fighter Squadron awaits medical attention during the exercise. Beals was one of the simulated casualties during the exercise behind the fitness center Wednesday.

HAZMAT EXERCISE

Base holds accident response exercise

By Senior Airman
Bryan Bouchard
Public Affairs

The base fitness center was evacuated Wednesday morning after the base kicked off a major accident response exercise, simulating a chlorine gas leak into the air next to the Olympic Pool.

"We wanted to try and find a potential hazard that could really happen," said Tech. Sgt. Andy Anderson of the 4th Fighter Wing plans and evaluations office.

The exercise started at 7:52

a.m., and didn't conclude until all casualties, alive or dead were treated and transported to area medical facilities.

Anderson said although there were a few hang-ups in the process every unit involved performed well and was able to learn a lot.

"As with every exercise," Anderson explained, "there were a few things that didn't go as planned. But overall, the units who responded did a great job getting help for the people who needed help and making

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Wright Bros., Vt. Garrison detour via Langley and Edwards Streets.

CONSTRUCTION

Parts of Vermont Garrison, Wright Bros., close for repairs Saturday

The 4th Civil Engineer Squadron, working with AC Schultes of Maryland, Inc., will be connecting a new water main in the intersection of Wright Brothers Avenue and Vermont Garrison Street Saturday from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

During this work, eastbound traffic on Wright Brothers Avenue and southbound on Vermont Garrison Street will be detoured. For more information, call Senior Master Sgt. Pat Abbott at 722-5144.



Heavy 'medals'
Local veteran wins gold, inspires others to succeed.

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Weekend Weather

Sunday Sunny
Hi: 87 Low: 64

Saturday Sunny
Hi: 88 Low: 63

Weather information provided by the 4 OSS weather flight.



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the 4th Fighter Wing
No One Comes Close**

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THE WRIGHT OPINION

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Hornburg: *Make fitness a priority*

By Gen. Hal Hornburg
AETC Commander

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS) – Shortly after I took command of the Air Education and Training Command, I announced a sight picture for AETC. This sight picture ensures we focus on the priorities I call the four “U”s: United States of America, United States Air Force, unit and “you,” the individual.

The United States is first in the equation because – above all else – we swore to defend our great nation when we each took our oath of service. The other “U”s provide the foundation that forms our national defense – and it all starts with “you,” the individual.

In order for our nation to remain free, in order for our Air Force to accomplish its mission and in order for your unit to meet its obligations, you, the individual, need to be up to the task.

In this regard, it is essential that you meet or exceed all the standards the

Air Force requires of you. Key among those standards is your physical well-being. We must each take personal responsibility for our fitness to ensure we are capable of meeting our military obligations.

It is no secret that people who follow a regular fitness regimen tend to have more energy, handle stress better, are less susceptible to illness and disease, feel better psychologically and live longer than those who don’t exercise.

To meet the Air Force fitness standards measured by the cycle ergometry, sit-up and pushup tests, I expect the members of the First Command, as a minimum, to participate in vigorous activity for at least 30 minutes three times a week. Mission requirements permitting, I encourage individuals, work sections or even entire units to set aside regular time during the duty day to participate in physical training activities. These events can be a time for office camaraderie and fun.

I do not want people casting an evil

eye at co-workers who do PT on a regular basis in conjunction with lunch or at other times during the duty day. Of course, I don’t want people to put their fitness regimen above duty commitments. But that’s not typically what happens. We all know the mission comes first.

What I often observe is that some of the most dedicated folks protest that they just don’t have time for fitness. It’s as if they consider exercise merely a sport, a recreational diversion or a hobby. In reality, a little PT time is time well spent. In my experience, it makes the rest of the day - at home and on duty - go better.

As the primary “U” among the four priorities that form our sight picture, you, the individual, are the most important resource that ensures we remain the greatest Air Force in the world.

Make time for fitness a regular part of your schedule. You owe yourself, your family, your Air Force and your nation nothing less.



How do we sort through all the leadership options out there?

Maj Jim Oelgoetz
4th Supply Squadron commander

With hundreds of books on leadership and so little time in our hurried lives, how do we sort through all the choices on the shelf today?

Bestseller lists or the Air Force Chief of Staff’s reading list are a good place to start. But I was influenced by neither one of these lists when I saw Rick Patino’s book, “Lead to Succeed” artfully displayed at book store.

For die-hard Kentucky Wildcat

fans, Patino needs no introduction, particularly after leading the Cats to the 1996 NCAA championship. A lot of University of Kentucky fans were disappointed when Patino “defected” to the NBA to coach the Boston Celtics. Was it for the “big bucks” or status of the “big time” that he traded the satisfying challenge of molding young college would-be superstars for the often self-serving, statistic-chasing, I-make-more-than-you mega-buck players of the NBA? Who knows, but the real “squid in the grog bowl” which true Wildcat fans may never get over is when

Patino left the NBA and returned to the state of Kentucky to coach UK’s cross-town rival, Louisville.

So while Patino’s book may not grace too many shelves in Lexington, I think you’ll find it an easy read with helpful hints on leadership. In the interest of space and (your) time, I’ll briefly cover 6 of his principles which I hope you’ll find helpful in developing a few of the skills required of a successful leader:

1. Have a Concrete Vision. Do people understand what your vision is, and that they are going to have to buy into change or get

left behind? (It’s really not a democracy.) Get people excited; people not only have to know what’s in it for them, but made to feel positive about the coming change. Jump in the boat with them...everyone in it together. Your success as a leader is linked to their success.

2. Be Your Own Messenger. Don’t let others do your job ... the best messages are the ones you deliver yourself. Communicate what you want. It’s your job to make sure that the people you are leading understand your message. Don’t assume people know what you

want. One-on-one meetings are often the best way to keep everyone informed and in the loop. (My personal input: There’s way too much reliance on e-mail to get important messages across!)

3. Act Selflessly. First, own up to your flaws...ask yourself difficult questions: Are you being true to your values? Is everything still geared toward the future? Your vision can’t be a personal one; it must be one you can transform to others. Second, don’t compete with those you lead...you must always be using your power to help people. You must be doing everything you

can to make their situation better.

That’s much of Patino’s book in a “nutshell”. His other key principles include building a team ego; be adaptable; maintain focus; and live for the future, not in the past. As I reviewed Patino’s principles, I realized I have some areas to work on; as I believe we all probably do. Good luck in your journey to becoming a more effective leader both at work, at home, or on the playing field. The morale of our troops, effectiveness of our operations, and security of our nation are counting on you to do your part for the team!

Let’s not forget the ones who made this happen

By Senior Airman
Bryan Bouchard
Public Affairs

Last Friday night, while covering a story for the Wright Times, I found myself with my wife at the racetrack in Nahunta.

As we were walking through the entrance to the track, I noticed an old man in front of us. He was probably 70 or 75-years-old, and he was sporting a camouflage cap with an image of a B-1B Lancer. He reached into his pocket and pulled out a wadded \$10 and \$5 bill to pay the \$15 admission. After looking him over, I decided that the old man was probably paying more than he really could afford. But he just wanted to

see the races. I couldn’t help but almost feel sorry and guilty at the same time. He was wrinkled, his skin was weathered like the leather of an old saddlebag. He was shuffling around in his \$5 sneakers, smoking his “cheapest brand” cigarettes - we’ve all seen this man before, maybe in a different location, but we all know this man.

I felt bad, after thinking of my nice furnishings, my big television set, and my DVD player in my house; or my two cars parked in front of it.

I really felt guilty for all I have. But that wasn’t the worst of my self-pity. I felt worse later on that night when I saw him right before the race started.

As the first note of the Star-Spangled Banner played, I stood there, with my

hat on my heart and looked over to see kids running around and playing, not aware of the respect they owe our national anthem or our flag.

But then I saw the old timer. He didn’t yell at the kids, (something I thought about doing) he ignored them. And what I was actually surprised to see was in that weathered old man, I saw what was probably his former self, standing as tall as his old back would let him, saluting the flag sharply.

That kind of scene always brings a tear to my eye. Although I am proud to see that display, guilt and sadness are more prevalent in my feelings.

We owe our seniors, especially those who served in the military, more respect than most of us give.

I have not been the most grateful young “whipper snapper” when it comes to our older generation. I wonder how many times I have scoffed at an elderly person at the commissary or driving on the roads. The answer: too many times.

We must learn to appreciate what they have done for us. More importantly, we must let them know they are appreciated. They were here once, in our shoes, probably thinking similar thoughts about their predecessors. True, their time serving the military has passed, but it’s up to us to make sure they are still treated with dignity and respect.

It really wouldn’t hurt us to walk up and say “thank you” once in a while.

Say thank you for all they’ve done and are still doing to make sure we are taken care of in the Air Force. Let’s show them the respect they deserve and also, let’s make sure they continue to be taken care of.

Let’s go up to that old timer in the stands and thank him for saluting the flag and keeping patriotism alive in today’s apathetic world. Thank the retiree at the pharmacy, at the exchange or the commissary for all they’ve done and do.

We too will be yelled at for driving too slow, or blocking the aisles in the store some day. I hope at that point, someone thanks you for the job you’re doing now.

Let’s not forget the ones who made this, and us happen.

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Action Line



Edgington
722-0006

Seymour Johnson’s Action Line is brought to the base by 4th Fighter Wing Commander, Col. David Edgington.

It provides a communication channel for people to obtain information and assistance in making Seymour a better place to live and work.

Edgington asks that before calling the Action Line, people should try to resolve their particular problem with the responsible base agencies listed here:

Base exchange	735-8512	Military pay	722-5373
Chaplain	722-0315	AFOSI	722-1220
Civil engineering	722-5139	Public Affairs	722-0027
Civilian pay	722-5358	Safety	722-4093
Commissary	722-0321	Security forces	722-0121
Military equal opportunity	722-1180	Services	722-5331
Inspector general	722-0008	Transportation	722-5089
Housing maintenance	736-7021	Travel pay	722-5362
TRICARE	(800) 931-9501	Youth center	722-0339

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Bike thefts rising on base

Wright Times Staff Report

Bike thefts are up in base housing, around the dormitories and at the fitness center according to officials from the 4th Security Forces Squadron.

"We've had 28 bicycle thefts since the beginning of the year," said Senior Airman Raymond Craig, base crime prevention manager. In fact, last weekend alone, there were six bicycle thefts in base housing. Craig added that at this time last year, only eight bikes had been stolen on base.

All 28 bicycles that have been reported stolen weren't even locked, said Staff Sgt. Brian Gagnon of the investigations section of the 4th SFS.

This, he said, is the primary reason behind all of the thefts.

"People think they are completely safe on base," he said. "We (security forces) wish that was true, but we can't be everywhere all the time."

Since the influx of thefts, security forces has increased its patrols through base housing and throughout the dormitories, Gagnon said. They are even posting foot patrols in plain clothes to catch would-be thieves.

But before any headway is made in the problem, Gagnon said it's up to people who live in housing and in the dormitories to lock up their valuables.

Craig said that if people see a crime in progress, they can anonymously call the Crime Stop line to speak with the on-duty desk sergeant and report any suspicious activity.

That number is 722-STOP.

Security forces also offers tips for people to use to keep their property safe:

- Lock bikes in a manner not easily defeated.
- Don't put the lock only on the front wheel.
- Chain and padlock the frame of the bicycle to a carport post.
- Put the bike in the storage shed.
- Register your bicycle at pass and registration.
- Keep accurate information on your bike (type, model, serial number, etc.).

Vehicle roll-by



Airman 1st Class Jared White of the 4th Transportation Squadron checks the oil in a 4th Civil Engineer Squadron humvee during the annual vehicle roll-by Tuesday. The 4 TRANS inspected nearly 600 vehicles Tuesday.

Godfrey Street renaming slated for July 27

Wright Times Staff Report

Godfrey Street renaming ceremony is July 27 at 3 p.m. in the 336th Fighter Squadron hangar. Slocumb Street, inside the Slocumb gate, is being renamed in honor of former 336 FS pilot Maj. John Godfrey.

A reception follows in the 336 FS bar.

Godfrey was a World War II fighter pilot assigned to the 336 FS at Debden Airdrome, United Kingdom, and was officially credited with 16.33 aerial victories. For more information, contact Capt. Paul Haitmeyer at 722-3050.

Wing reaches halfway of 101 Days

Halfway through campaign Seymour matches last year's stats

By Senior Airman
Travis Riley
Public Affairs

Half way through the 101 Critical Days of Summer, Seymour Johnson is exactly where it was last year, only having six minor injuries reported so far.

"We're doing considerably well," said Master Sgt. Linda Wilkens-Daniels, 4th Fighter Wing ground safety superintendent. "Most of the injuries reported have been sports-related injuries."

Wilkens-Daniels said people should be more cautious during sporting activities, because that is when most incidents occur.

"People who participate in squadron sports should remember to stretch properly before and after a game," said Wilkens-Daniels. "The same holds true for

sporting events off base, just because it isn't an Air Force activity doesn't mean complacency should take over."

Wilkens-Daniels also said the last 50 days of the summer are also the most critical.

"It's almost like people realize that summer is ending and they want to get more bang for the buck," said Wilkens-Daniels. "This is normally the time of year when families go on their annual vacations, mostly by automobile."

She added that people should take extra precautions when going on a trip.

"There should always be a plan of action when taking a trip," said Wilkens-Daniels. "For the past three years Seymour has lost one of it's airman because of automobile accidents. My advice would be to get a very good night of sleep,



Safety officials warn against swimming where there is no supervision. Above, Seymour Johnson lifeguard Leanne Humble watches over the Olympic Pool Tuesday.

get up early and stop regularly." She also said that people should not speed to compensate for being late getting back from leave.

"Call and let your supervisor know you need another day of leave because you can't make it back in time," added Wilkens-Daniels. "You are more valuable to the Air Force alive than dead."

Another hazard Wilkens-

Daniels mentioned was swimming in areas where there aren't any lifeguards.

"If people do swim in an area without supervision, they should always have someone with them," said Wilkens-Daniels. "Anything could happen; it's always safe to have someone there just in case."

Tim Edwards, base ground

safety manager agrees with Wilkens-Daniels.

"With the storm season approaching and the riptides getting bigger, people should keep their vigilance up and not let their guard down," he said.

Anyone with questions on how they can make their summer a more safe one, can call ground safety at 722-4507.

Active duty retirees can join Air Force Reserves

People retiring from active duty can now go to the Seymour Johnson reserve recruiting office on Blakeslee Avenue to inquire about opportunities for them to return to military service in the reserves.

A new section was added to the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal 2001, which permits retired active-component service people, who later serve in the Air Force Reserve, to elect retirement as mem-

bers of the retired reserve.

In addition to helping Air Force Reserve Command fill a critical need, active-duty retirees will receive several benefits for continued military service as reservists.

These incentives include increased retirement income by earning points and/or pay while serving; promotion opportunity to a higher grade and retirement in that grade; and the possibility of serving in

another career field and receiving new training.

To be eligible for this program, people must be regular active-duty Air Force retirees who retired not more than five years ago, or current active-duty members with an approved, projected retirement date.

For more information, call 722-2258 or call (800) 257-1212.

Trust fund set up for slain woman's husband, son

SAN ANTONIO (AFPN) - A trust fund has been established for Staff Sgt. Jeremy Hayes, an F-15 Eagle crew chief at Langley Air Force Base, Va., and his 11-month-old son, Nicholas.

Hayes' wife, Ginger, was kidnapped, robbed and murdered after being carjacked June 30 in Greenville, N.C., about 45 miles northeast of Seymour Johnson.

While returning to Hampton, Va., from vacation in the area, Hayes stopped at a pharmacy to use an ATM, leaving his wife and child in the running car. When he returned, Ginger, his son and the car were missing.

Ginger was found dead in Nash County, after she and Nicholas were kidnapped. Nicholas was treated at a North Carolina hospital and has since been released.

Andre Edwards, 31, of Rocky Mount, was charged with first-degree murder of Ginger, the attempted murder of Nicholas, and common-law robbery.

Contributions can be sent to the Ginger Hayes Memorial Fund, c/o The Old Point National Bank, 1 West Mellen Street, Hampton, VA 23663.

Civilians get one-stop shop for personnel needs

By Staff Sgt. Connie Etscheidt
Public Affairs

Civilians and their military supervisors can access all the up-to-date information they need on civilian personnel topics through a one-stop website provided by Seymour's civilian personnel flight.

"With all the civilian personnel actions being accomplished through the Air Force Personnel Center, it's important civilians know they can get the information they need through this site," said Jean Tucker, civilian personnel officer.

"It's a good starting point for information to get civilians in the right direction," said Gena McDonald, a personnel systems specialist who runs the site.

The site, which had gone through major upgrades and changes throughout the past year, provides links to a yearly personnel events calendar, a pay period chart, affirmative employment information, classification and position manage-

ment information, labor management and employee relations, a merit promotion list and training tapes. A bulletin board and newsletter is posted on the site which provides civilians and their supervisors with information on civilian hot topics, McDonald said. There are also links to other personnel sites such as the Air Force Civilian Personnel School, Personnel Management Information Support System and the Air Force Personnel Center.

Future upgrades scheduled for completion by December include negotiation agreements, form links and job kits, McDonald said.

Although the information included on the website is general in nature, specific questions or problems can be addressed by contacting the civilian personnel office, Tucker said.

"We also welcome constructive suggestions as to ways to improve the site to meet the needs of our customers," she said.

Training Tapes for Use - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Air Combat Command

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Address <https://wwwmil.seymourjohnson.af.mil/civpers/Training%20Tapes.htm>

The civilian personnel office's Website has many links for people to go to to learn everything from pay charts to acquiring training aides to help them with their duties. For more, go to: <https://wwwmil.seymourjohnson.af.mil/civpers/>.

Training Tapes Available

The Civilian Personnel Office has numerous training tapes available check out one of the below tapes, please call us.

Tapes Available

NEWS BRIEFS

WCC adds e-commerce major

Beginning this fall, Wayne Community College offers an associates degree in business administration and electronic business. People wishing to attend should apply now for fall admission. Registration will be Monday and Aug. 14. Classes begin Aug. 16. For more information, call 735-5152, Ext. 342.

Clinic services limited Wednesday

Wednesday, the 4th Medical Group will be providing limited services from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., due to a unit function. The pharmacy will be open for its regular Wednesday hours of 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the main pharmacy; and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the satellite pharmacy. Providers will still be available to address acute medical conditions, and can be reached at 722-1802.

MPF, FSC close early today

Agencies which fall under the 4th Mission Support Squadron are closed today from noon to 4:30 p.m. for an official function. This covers the military personnel flight, family support center and other MSS facilities. The orderly room will also be closed Monday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for the MSS change of command. The change of command will be at the officers' club at 10 a.m. In case of emergency, call Master Sgt. Ronald Luke at 738-6954. For more information, call 722-0123.

Civilian leave forms now on-line

The United States Office of Personnel Management has eight new electronic leave forms. They include OPM 71, OPM 630, OPM 630-A, OPM 630-B, OPM 630-C, OPM 1637, OPM 1638, and OPM 1639 and cover the standard request for leave or approved absence form, the voluntary leave transfer program forms, and the emergency leave transfer program forms. People may visit the agency forms site at <http://www.opm.gov/forms/index.htm>. The change was established to better serve customers and in response to the Government Paperwork Elimination Act. The leave forms in have been set up so they can be filed electronically. However, people can download the forms and print out hard copies. For more information, call 722-0117 or email payleave@opm.gov.

Scholarship application now available

The local chapter of the American Society of Comptrollers is accepting applications for a \$500 scholarship through Aug. 8. Applicants must have a 3.00 grade point average or higher, and must be in a field of study related to financial or resource management. People who are interested may pick up an application at the education center, or call Rene Bryson at 722-2222.

Airshow snack booths deadline

The deadline for organizations interested in having a booth at the airshow is Nov. 3. To register, submit a letter to Ken Tyler no later than Aug. 10. People can either e-mail the letter to ken.tyler@seymourjohnson.com, mail it to 1540 Goodson St., Suite 200 or take the letter to Bldg. 3601. The project officer's name, the name of an alternate, the office symbol, e-mail and telephone number must be included in the letter. The first meeting for booth representatives is Aug. 15 at 8 a.m., at the enlisted club.

Hurricane town meeting

There is a Hurricane Town Hall Meeting July 31 at 7 p.m., at the base theater. Representatives from the weather office, security forces, disaster preparedness, the family support center and the American Red Cross will provide information on the characteristics of a hurricane, how to prepare for a hurricane, what to expect, and who people can contact if they need assistance once a hurricane has passed. Children's activities will be provided at the youth center. A gift basket with hurricane readiness supplies will be given away at the meeting as a door prize. For more information, call the family support center at 722-1123.

Incentive program debuts at SJ

The Department of Defense Transportation Incentive Program was established in April to encourage federal employees to use mass transportation options to help reduce traffic congestion and air pollution. The program reimburses all DOD members for mass transportation cost up to \$65. By January 2002 the reimbursement will rise to \$100, not to exceed actual commuting costs. In Goldsboro, the mass transit option is Goldsboro Area Transportation Express of Wayne County, which has routes that run to the main gate and the Slocumb Street Gate. The deadline to register for the program is Aug. 15. For more information on GATEWAY, call 736-1374 or 731-1626. For more information on the incentive program, call 722-4017.

Red Cross offers CPR, first aid

The Red Cross sponsors a health and safety course Monday through Wednesday. The class will be community first aid and safety. The course is a three-night course. Adult cardiopulmonary recussitation will be taught Monday, infant and child CPR will be Tuesday and first aid will be taught Wednesday. The cost for the entire course is \$45. If people want to take only two classes the cost is \$30 and one CPR course is \$25. The first aid class alone is \$20. Pre-registration is required. People may register by e-mail or by completing a registration form that can be found at the front desk of the family support center. For more information, call 722-1123.

Attic is open this summer

The Airmen's Attic is open Mondays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Top 3 is sponsoring a volunteer effort to keep the attic open until it is able to move to a new location in September. Volunteer slots are still available. For more information, call 722-3205 or 722-5393.

Thrift shop still accepting donations

The thrift shop is closed for the summer, but is still able to accept donations. Donations may be placed in the drop box located behind the thrift shop at 3001 Andrews St. The shop reopens for business Aug. 14. For more information, call Tina Claus at 751-8236.

Two airmen found guilty of drug use

By Airman 1st Class John Eiler
4th Fighter Wing legal office

To airmen from the 4th Fighter Wing were both found guilty of separate instances of drug use following general courts-martial here at the end of June.

Airman Brian Smith from the 333rd Fighter Squadron was tried and convicted of wrongful use of cocaine and two specifications of wrongful use of marijuana. He pleaded not guilty to the charge, and a panel of officers and enlisted members heard the case.

They heard testimony from an expert toxicologist discussing the results of a urine sample submitted by Smith, which came back positive for the metabolite produced as a by-product of cocaine.

They also heard testimony from an eyewitness informant who saw the accused use drugs on several occasions.

After a sentencing proceeding in which Smith, overcome by emotion, apologized to his unit, the panel sentenced him to a bad conduct discharge, confinement for one year, forfeiture of all his pay and allowances, and reduction to the grade of airman basic.

Immediately following the trial, which concluded at midnight June 29, Smith was transported to the Marine Corps Confinement Facility at Camp Lejeune, N.C. Smith's bad conduct discharge, if approved, would terminate a career of almost seven years in the military.

In a second, unrelated court-martial which concluded June

30, a different panel of members was asked to sentence Airman 1st Class Ricky Guerra of the 4th Equipment Maintenance Squadron. Guerra was charged with one specification of wrongful use of the drug "ecstasy." He pleaded guilty to the charge, admitting in open court that he went to a party in Greenville, N.C. and bought an ecstasy pill for \$25, which he later consumed.

Based on a tip from a confidential informant to the Air Force Office of Special Investigations detachment here, Guerra was pulled over, detained and ordered to submit to a urinalysis, which came back positive for ecstasy.

Guerra made a statement to the panel of eight officers in which, visibly shaken, he referred to the shame he had brought to his family. He was sentenced to a bad conduct discharge, confinement for 60 days, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and reduction to the grade of airman basic.

Immediately following the trial, the accused, age 19, was also transported to the confinement facility at Camp Lejeune.

The two adjudged sentences will now be reviewed by the general court-martial convening authority, Lt. Gen. Charles Wald, Ninth Air Force commander. He may approve the sentence as adjudged, or a lesser sentence, but may not increase it.

While awaiting action from the convening authority and any appellate process, both airmen will continue to serve their time in confinement.

RACE: Airman finds adventure on dirt

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The cars Shreiner races against are bigger and faster, but he really doesn't care, his strategy for winning is all about consistency.

"I've never won a race," Shreiner said. "But I almost always finish."

Shreiner's friend and the car's crew chief, Lucas Pendleton, also of the 4 CES, said this is what has them toward the top of standings.

"You don't get any points for not finishing," Pendleton said.

Not finishing is what scares Shreiner and his crew chief. Shreiner's wife, Franny and his mother, Charlotte, are afraid of it for different reasons.

"I just don't want him to get hurt," said his wife. "But I know how much he likes to race. And if he ever gets hurt, at least I'm

there and that makes me feel more comfortable."

As starting time neared July 13, Pendleton was making some last-minute adjustments to the car's 358 cubic-inch, 8-cylinder engine. And the looks of frightened anticipation were on both Franny's and Charlotte's faces.

To make his wife and mother feel worse, just before Shreiner raced, one driver in another division was pulled from his car after the local fire department used the "jaws of life" to tear into the twisted metal left behind from a 40 mph header into the concrete center wall.

But Shreiner doesn't worry too much about this. He races with all of the latest safety equipment including helmet, fire suit, gloves and he has a racing seat belt, roll cage and a fire extinguisher in the car too. He

said he's safer driving on the track than he is driving on the street in his truck.

After three hours of practice runs, qualifying heats and smaller class races, it was time for Shreiner's race. July 13 the six cars vied for a \$500 prize.

At the beginning, the cars start around the track swaying side-to-side to get a feel for the slick, red clay. Then as they round the last turn the flag man starts waving the green flag. After that, it's all loud engine noise as the six cars began their sliding, 60-90 mph trek around the track, 25 times.

While sitting in pit row, waiting for his race to start, Shreiner said he can feel the butterflies in his stomach.

"I don't even eat before the race," said Shreiner. "I'm so worried about hitting a wall or

wrecking the car."

Shreiner didn't win the July 13 race. But, for racing in a class above where he should be, Shreiner was able to hold his own with the big boys, as he sat in third place for a dozen laps, before finishing fourth.

The consistency in finishing races and the fear of being run into the ground by his competition is what keeps Shreiner and his crew chief going.

Right now, they are sitting toward the top of the bracket standings in front of bigger and faster cars.

The racing doesn't stop there for Shreiner. By the end of the year, he plans to sell the No. 9 car and buy and even faster car so when he does race with the big boys, he finishes at the front of the pack, instead of the middle.

CSAF: Jumper ready to take charge

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Air Force's history and I look forward to this opportunity as we chart the course for the future. General Mike Ryan has maintained the highest standards of service to our nation, and, if confirmed, I will do my very best to sustain those standards, expand the vision and ensure that, in the air and in space, "no one comes close" to America's Air Force."

Jumper joined the U.S. Air Force in 1966 and has commanded a fighter squadron, two fighter wings and a numbered air force. The general also served in the Pentagon as deputy

chief of staff for air and space operations, as the senior military assistant to two secretaries of defense and as special assistant to the chief of staff for roles and missions. He took command of ACC Feb. 8, 2000.

The general is a command pilot with more than 4,000 flying hours, mostly in fighter aircraft. He flew C-7 cargo aircraft and F-4 fighters in Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War and helped lead the 1999 Operation Allied Force bombing campaign against Yugoslavia as the commander of U.S. Air Forces in Europe. His awards for his

military service include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal and the Distinguished Flying Cross with two oak leaf clusters.

Jumper earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Military Institute, completed Squadron Officer School and Air Command and Staff College at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama, received a M.B.A. from Golden Gate University and attended the National War College. The nomination must be confirmed by the U.S. Senate.

MARE: Base responds to simulated leak

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sure they contained the problem to the immediate impact area."

The victims included one person who was killed and nearly two dozen who passed

out from inhaling chlorine vapors. They were scattered around the swimming pool area.

The exercise tested the abilities of many units and agencies including the fire department,

security forces, mission support, medical, services, public affairs, command post, legal office and the battlestaff and disaster control groups were utilized.

The plethora of people

involved is one of the main reasons Anderson said, the wing practices these set-up exercises.

"We have to practice like this stuff really happens," he said. "Otherwise we won't be ready if it does."

PAINT: Process may save time, money

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five years, thereby saving money."

The test, which is being conducted on other bases and on other aircraft, will affect two F-15Es here at Seymour, said Bourdon.

"The new topcoat will be evaluated on these two planes after three, six and 12 months, in coordination with Air Combat Command," said Bourdon.

If successful, the new paint process could breath new life into the paint shop.

"Normally, we use a standard polyurethane topcoat; the new paint is a fluropolyurethane extended life topcoat," explained Bourdon. "This is an upgraded version of the process we are already using. It doesn't change the equipment or the application, and the only difference we have seen so far is after the paint has cured it has a slightly smoother surface."

The longer time period between topcoats would allow the paint shop to do fewer full paints, leaving more time to focus on repair painting, said Staff Sgt. Nathan Smith, NCO-

in-charge of the aircraft paint facility.

"Currently, we are painting one aircraft in a five-day period, it typically takes seven days to complete the process," explained Bourdon. "But with 98 F-15s, if you run the numbers, it's necessary for us to do one jet per week to keep on schedule."

This scheduled does not leave much time for touch up jobs.

"There is no such thing as down time in this shop," explained Smith. "If the topcoat performs as expected, it will decrease the number of full paints the shop does and give us more time for touch ups. Right now, for every jet we touch up, there is four or five out there waiting."

This can be a big job when faced with less than ideal manning, explained Bourdon.

"Our shop is fully manned at 14 (airmen); we are currently running with nine (airmen)," said Smith. "We are able to achieve high goals because of the high level of professionalism, dedication and hard work our people demonstrate. Our people take pride in what they do and they do their jobs well."

Unit News

To get your information in the paper, contact your unit public affairs representative or first sergeant.

4 TRANS

By Master Sgt. Kenneth Seronick
UPAR

CONGRATULATIONS: The 4th Transportation Squadron wishes to congratulate its quarterly award winners:

Master Sgt. Wayne Potter
Staff Sgt. Shane Dalkey
Senior Airman Alejandro Ayala

The squadron also congratulates Airman 1st Class Tia Wiggers as the Sharp Troop of the Month for the traffic management office and Staff Sgt. Leonard Thompson as the vehicle operator of the month.

In addition, congratulations to Airman 1st Class Tasha Turner from TMO for making the Dean's list at Mount Olive College for the spring semester.

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Throwing the heater



Master Sgt. Jerry King / VI

Brad Anderson pitches for the Seymour Johnson All Stars during a game in Mar-Mac Sunday. Seymour beat the Wayne County Boys Club/Girls Club All Stars 11-5, to advance to the next round of tournament play during the Dixie Youth Majors District 11 tournament. The tournament is double elimination with the winner advancing to the North Carolina Dixie Youth State tournament.



Master Sgt. Jose Rojo / WT

Vincent Ambrosio (left), 4th Operations Support Squadron catcher, tries to tag out AMMO's Mario Craft as he slides into home during the OSS "B" victory.

OSS 'B' slips by AMMO 'B,' 11-10

**By Senior Airman
Travis Riley
Public Affairs**

In a nail-bitter that went down to the last pitch of the game, The 4th Operations Support Squadron Silverhawks "B" team slid past the AMMO "B" team 11-10, Tuesday at the Gym Field in an intramural softball game.

The Silverhawks started the game off with a bang when short-stop Mike Wilburn blasted a line-drive shot to right-center field that rolled to the fence, enabling him to scamper around the bases for an inside-the-park homerun.

The Silverhawks came back in the second inning and scored one more run to give AMMO a two-run deficit early.

In the third inning AMMO brought their bats to the plate collecting seven hits and plating three runs to go ahead of OSS, 3-2. But OSS came right back in the bottom half of the inning and scored two runs to take lead for good.

In the fourth inning, OSS decided to try and put the game away when right-center fielder Jeremiah Parvin smacked a three-run homerun to deep left-center field, putting the OSS ahead 6-4. OSS added three more runs before the inning was over and after four innings AMMO trailed 9-3.

AMMO brought the game back within reach in the last inning, trailing by three runs. With two outs left they managed to score two and bring the game within one run, only to pop-out twice to left field and lose the game 11-10.

With the win, OSS "B" improves their record to 9-6 and AMMO "B" falls to a 500 record at 8-8.



Senior Airman Travis Riley / WT

AMMO player-coach Chris Blackburn makes an out in his team's losing effort Tuesday.

Army veteran ‘rolls’ through competitors

Holland wins four golds at nat’l veteran wheelchair games in New York

By Senior Airman Travis Riley
Public Affairs

There are many stereotypes associated with people in wheelchairs: worthless, crippled, dependent.

One man who has not lived up to those stereotypes is Johnny Holland.

On a cold night in 1987, while stationed in Alaska, the Army veteran was driving home and that’s when it happened.

“I must have hit some gravel,” said Holland. “The next thing I knew my car was flipping in the air, that was on May 1. I didn’t see daylight until May 10.”

When Holland woke from his coma, he had to deal with the fact the accident left him paralyzed.

“It was a hard pill to swallow,” said Holland. “My faith in the Lord played a big part in pulling me through.”

Holland, who had always been active in sports before his accident, found him-

self not even able to get a basketball through the hoop.

“It was frustrating at first,” said Holland. “Luckily I had people who had been in the same predicament as me to help me get through it.”

After months of practice and determination, Holland began to learn the “ins and outs” of wheelchair sports.

“It took me a couple of years to get the sport aspect down,” said Holland. “But I eventually got it.”

Indeed he has. Last year, at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games in San Antonio, Holland brought home three gold and one silver medal.

“Last year was a big honor for me,” said Holland. “But I had a goal to do better this year at the games in New York.”

As usual Holland exceeded his goal.

This year Holland participated in five events bringing home the gold in four of them.

He blew the competition away in bowling, table tennis, billiards and weightlifting, where he lifted 235 pounds to take the title.

Holland said that a big reason that he keeps going back every year is his 15-year-old daughter Jovane.

“I want to show her that a disability should never stop someone from reaching their goals,” said Holland. “I also want her to know that it’s not okay to judge people by their appearance. I was guilty of thinking that someone in a wheelchair was worthless when I was younger, needless to say my eyes have been opened.”

Holland, who will begin training for next year’s games soon, hopes to take his daughter along with him on the trip. “The games will be in Cleveland next year, and I would love to have my daughter there with me by my side.”

His daughter feels the same about her father, saying he is motivation for her in everything she does.

“My dad has always been there for me,” said Jovane. “I’ve learned more from him being in a wheelchair than I would have if he were walking.”



Senior Airman Travis Riley / WT
Holland shows off the gold medals he won at the games this year.



Courtesy photo
Army veteran Johnny Holland studies his shot on the pool table, enroute to winning one of his four gold medals at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games in New York.

Standings Softball American League

4 CRS	15-0
AMMO "A"	15-2
4 OSS "A"	11-5
4 CES	11-6
334 FS OPS	5-6
4 SUPS	6-9
4 CS	6-9
333 FS	5-12
4 CRS "C"	2-14
335 FS	0-13

National League	
4 EMS AGE	15-0
4 MSS	9-5
4 TRANS	8-5
4 SFS	8-6
4 OSS "B"	8-6
333 FS "B"	7-6
AMMO "B"	8-7
4 CRS "B"	6-7
LIFE SUPPORT	5-10
334 FS	4-11

Women's softball	
333 FS	9-5
916 ARW	8-6
4 CES	8-6
4 OSS	8-7
4 MDG	3-12

Commander's Cup points			
Large unit		Small unit	
4 MDG	170	334 FS	130
4 CES	138	4 OSS	123
4 CRS	123	4 SUPS	104
4 EMS	115	4 SFS	97
333 FS	111	4 TRANS	84
336 FS	79	4 CS	80
335 FS	30	4 CPTS	49
916 ARW	28	4 MSS	46
		4 SVS	45
		4 CONS	2
		371 TRS	2

Standings information provided by the fitness center staff at 722-0408.

2001 Intramural flag football starts Aug. 6

Coaches' meeting scheduled for Aug. 1

Wright Times Staff Report

Letters of intent to play in the 2001 Seymour Johnson intramural flag football season are due by Aug. 1.

There is a coaches meeting on that day at 1 p.m. at the fitness center. The season will commence Aug. 6.

People who want to play, but either do not have a unit to play with, or their unit does not have a

team, must have their names submitted into the pool of players by Aug. 15.

Last year, the 4th Medical Group took first place in the league. Thanks to this and other league championships, they now lead all units in the 2001 Commander's Cup Trophy standings with 170 points.

For more information, call Senior Airman Heather Page or Airman 1st Class Tiffany Smith at 722-0408.

Sports shorts

Leukemia Society Open

The 3rd Annual Leukemia Society Open is Aug. 11 at 8:30 a.m., at the Three Eagles Golf Course. Cost is \$40 per person, for greens fees, cart and lunch. All proceeds will benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. To register, call John Kuckza at 759-0468.

Fitness center upgrades

Contractors will begin upgrading the men's and women's lockers rooms at the fitness center Aug. 1. The work will be done in two phases and should be completed by Nov. 15. During phase one, the old saunas will be removed from both the men's and women's area and one new sauna will be installed in each locker room. Also, during this phase two additional showers will be added to the women's locker room. Each locker room will have one sauna when the project is complete. The first phase of the work will not have much effect on the use of the showers and lockers. However, during the second phase services will be inter-

rupted while new tile is installed in the showers, floors are chemically cleaned, exhaust fans are installed and a third com-mode is added to the women's locker room. For more information, call Ed Hood, fitness center director at 722-0406.

Kids Klassic tournament

The Three Eagles Golf Course junior golf program is concluding with a "grand finale" Kids Klassic junior golf tournament, sponsored by Bank of America, which will be July 29. For more information, call the pro shop at 722-0395.

July HAWC happenings

This month the health and wellness center is focusing on helping people kick the tobacco habit. This month an education class for teens, "Too Cool to Smoke," is being offered today from 3-4 p.m., at the youth activities center. The class is aimed at educating teens on the dangers of tobacco and provides assistance with kicking the habit if needed. For people who wish to learn how to lower blood

pressure, the dietary approaches to stop hypertension class is scheduled for Wednesday from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

AF Marathon is coming

The Fifth Annual U.S. Air Force Marathon festivities begin Sept. 20 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The 2000 marathon had more than 2,900 participants running either individually, on a relay team or in the wheelchair category. Registration and race information is available on the Air Force Marathon Website at afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil/, or call (800) 467-1823.

SVS sells event tickets

Active duty, civilian employees and retirees, can use the outdoor recreation office to take advantage of discounted admission to the Southern National Speedway, April through November. Tickets cost \$7 per person. The speedway is located between Kenly and Lucama off Highway 581 on Newsome Mill Road. For tickets, call 722-1104 or for more information, call (919) 284-1114 or visit

www.southernnatlspeedway.com.

Bernie Hart tournament

Three Eagles Golf Course hosts the Bernie Hart Memorial Golf Tournament Aug. 25 at 8 a.m. The format will be "captain's choice" and feature teams of four. No more than one person per team can have a handicap of less than eight. Cost is \$35 and includes prizes, beverages and dinner. The tournament's namesake, Bernie Hart, worked at the Par and Grill snack bar at the course until she lost her battle with cancer last year.

For more information, call Sam Brady at 778-9016, or the pro shop at 722-0395.

Cyclists ride weekly

The SEYBORO Cyclist's Bike Club meets for rides Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. All rides begin at Eastern Wayne Elementary School and Club Rides will include two ride captains for two separate paces. For more information, call Lt. Col. Greg Hawkes at 722-2665 or 722-3050.

Congratulations

to all of the

4th Fighter Wing



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Bryan Bouchard
Shannon Boutte
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Heather Griffith
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Brandy Smith
Shawn Speirs

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Shannon Daye
Yashari Finklin-Pinder
Malmcolm Journic
Cynthia Nye
Freda Tripp
Kelly Valadao

4 ADOS
Angie Agundez
Heather Albanese
Victor Castro
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Gary Hill
Cleveland Hunt

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Samuel Pruett II
Richard Solomon
Joshua Stine
Michael Varaly
F.H. Wampner
Jennifer Wampner
Donald Witmer

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Henry Geigenmiller
Jessica Gillespie
Harold Page III
Heather Page
April Rich
Shawnta Vandyke
Amanda Wilson
Monique Witherspoon

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Jeffrey Osgood
David Pyle
Michael Bessett
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David Clarence
Dwayne Clark
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James Boyce
Dana Cline
Tawanna Croker
Christopher Cutterback
Kelly Hunter
Natia Jordan
Debbie Mehl
Michelle Pabon
Michael Reich
Wendell Robinson
Kenneth Rodgers
Manuel Rodriguez
Cameron Rowe
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Christoper Seltmann
Jeremy Stewart
Christopher Torbert
Alexandria Trappier
Shawna Wisser

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Red Cross volunteer recognition: The Red Cross is having a recognition service for the Summer Youth Volunteers at Debden Park July 31 at 4:45 p.m. One individual will be receiving the International Woodrow Wilson Volunteer Award. Also, the dental assistant program graduation will be Aug. 3 at 10:30 a.m., in the dental clinic conference room. The graduating volunteers have put in over 1,000 hours at the dental clinic through the Red Cross dental assistant program. For more information, call 722-1123.

Transition assistance program: The family support center offers many courses for individuals who are preparing to separate or retire through the transition assistance program. TAP is geared to equip military and civilian personnel and their families with skills and knowledge for reentry into the private sector. Every person who is leaving active duty or retiring must attend the mandatory TAP program. The class, which covers 18 major subjects, such as Veterans Affairs benefits, will be held Monday, Thursday and July 30 at 1 p.m., in the family support center. People who wish to learn more about benefits that are provided to them after leaving military service can attend a TAP workshop Aug. 14-16 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., in the officers' club. However, enrolling in the workshop does not fulfill the mandatory TAP requirement. The emphasis of the classes is transition preparation rather than job placement. For more information, call the family support center at 722-1123.

Family pool party Saturday: Enlisted club members and those eligible for membership may sign their families up for an evening of fun at the Olympic Pool Saturday from 7:30-10:30 p.m. People will have free access to the pool, waterslide, miniature golf and batting cage. Barbecue will be served for \$6 for adults and \$3 for kids ages 4-12, children ages 3 and younger are free. For more information, call Joan Morton at the enlisted club at 722-1192.

Job resource center: Tours of the job resource center, located on the second floor of the family support center, are conducted Mondays and Thursdays at 3 p.m. The job resource center is available to dependents, people who are separating or retiring and active duty that are looking for a part-time job. Some of the many services offered by the center include resume preparation classes and instructions

on how to conduct Internet job searches. For more information, call 722-1123.

ACC Preteen lock-in: The second annual Air Combat Command Pre-teen Lock-In is Saturday. This event is for 9-12 year-olds and will be from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. Activities will include base-to-base telephone challenges, prizes, food, competitions and more. For more information, call the youth center at 722-0334.

Family child care open house scheduled: Family child care is offering an open house at two FCC provider homes for people who are interested in finding out more about the program July 28. FCC offers in-home care for children ages two weeks through 14 years by licensed providers in active duty military housing. The two FCC providers will open their homes to share their indoor and outdoor environments and home child care programs. Visit Yulonda Gregory, 821 Bolling Dr., or Shawn Cason, 821 Paine St., July 28 from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the family child care office at 722-0329.

Volunteer program: There are many volunteering opportunities for people who wish to donate time and receive job training. The job experience-training program is available for volunteers who provide 20 hours of volunteer service for six months. Volunteer opportunities exist with such organizations as the Special Olympics, Meals on Wheels, the Literacy Program, the American Red Cross, the soup kitchen, family services, family support center, the chapel and more. Child care, with an on base family child care provider, is paid for by Air Force Aid for military identification card holders who volunteer. For more information, call Pam Stansbury at 722-1123.

Cooking demonstration: This month the cooking demonstration is Wednesday from 6-7 p.m. at the Family Place, located at 705 Chandler Rd. The demonstration will focus on alternative cooking for a healthier lifestyle. For more information, call 722-1123.

Family fun: The free batting cages and miniature golf course are open from 1-8 p.m., seven days a week. Miniature golf is \$2.50 a round for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 and under. An unlimited daily play pass can be purchased for \$5. A 10-round adult punch card is \$20 and a 10-round punch card for chil-

dren is \$10. Youngster day is Saturdays from 1-3 p.m. Kids can play for \$1 a round. For more information, call 722-1104.

Parenting group: Moms and Pops Morning Group meets Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon at 750 Chandler Rd., the Family Place. The group focuses on issues and activities for the parents of children newborn to three years of age. For more information, call Marcia O'Quinn or Madalyn Lambert at 722-1878.

Lunch: Tuesdays at the Ten Pin Café is spaghetti day. A plate of spaghetti, served with a roll, salad and a drink is \$4. Other menu items such as pizza and cheeseburgers are also available. The Ten Pin Café runs luncheon specials daily and is located in the bowling center. For more information, call 722-0349.

Employment workshops: The family support center holds several classes to help people with finding a job. The "Interviewing Skills" class is offered Monday. The "How to Identify Your Most Marketable Career Skill" class is scheduled for Aug. 7 from 9-11 a.m. A job search is scheduled for Aug. 21 from 9-11 a.m. For more information, call 722-1123.

Relocation workshop: The family support center is offering a relocation workshop Aug. 14 and Sept. 11 from 9-11 a.m., at the family support center in the classroom. The "Smooth Move" workshop is a service that helps with organizing a move before a permanent change of assignment move. Experts from housing, outbound assignments, billeting, traffic management office and claims, provide everything you need to make a successful relocation. Spouses may also participate. For more information, call 722-1123.



Chapel schedule

Catholic
•Weekend Masses: Saturday - 5:30 p.m., Sunday - 9:30 a.m.
•Weekday Masses: Weekdays - 11:30 a.m. to noon
•Confessions: Saturday - 4:30 to 5:15 p.m., weekdays by request
•The Catholic Women of the Chapel meets the first Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Annex.
For information, call 751-0140.

Protestant Services
•Sunday services:
8 a.m. - Liturgical worship service
9:30 a.m. - Religious education, ages three through adult, meets in Bldg. 4403
10:45 a.m. - Extended religious education
11 a.m. - Traditional service
12:30 p.m. - Inspirational service

•The Protestant men meet at 9 a.m. every first Saturday of the month.
•The Protestant women meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of every month.
•For more information, or to contact a chaplain during duty hours, call 722-0315. To contact a chaplain after duty hours, call the command post at 722-2679.

Jewish, Orthodox and Muslim
Call the chapel at 722-0315.



Friday
7 p.m. Moulin Rouge (PG-13)
Saturday
7 p.m. Pearl Harbor (PG-13)
Sunday
7 p.m. Evolution (PG-13)

Previews:
Moulin Rouge - Satine, star of the Moulin Rouge and the city's most famous courtesan, is caught between the love of a young writer and another man's obsession. The writer, Christian, finds himself

plunged into this decadent world where anything goes except falling in love.

Pearl Harbor - It was the end of innocence, and the dawn of a nation's greatest glory. It was during Pearl Harbor, following the story of two best friends, Rafe and Danny, and their lives as they go off to join the war.

Evolution - Community college professors, Harry and Ira are called in to investigate a meteor crash site. They see an opportunity for them to step up to the next level, discovering alien life on Earth. Then, of course, they start to figure out that might not be a good thing.

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Youth center camping trip: Youth Activities Center members may sign up now for a camping trip to the Neuse River July 27-28 for children ages 11 through 16. The cost for overnight camping with nature trails, fishing and canoeing is \$10 per child. For more information, call 722-0334.

Farmer's market: The Goldsboro farmer's market is open Mondays through Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., and is located in downtown Goldsboro on the corner of Center and Spruce Streets.

Bentonville battleground: The Bentonville battleground is having a summer seasonal living history program Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. An artillery demonstration will also be presented Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. For more information, call (910) 594-0789.

Local music: The Center Street Jam is a series of free concerts held in downtown Goldsboro on Center Street, Thursday nights from 5:30-8 p.m. This Thursday the featured band is Coastline. Mardi Gras will be performing Aug. 9, Big Bertha will be performing Aug. 23 and The Band of Oz will be performing Sept. 6. The event is held in the Waynesboro House parking lot. People may bring their own lounge chairs. Coolers are prohibited. However, food and beverages are sold at the concert. For more information, call 735-4959.

Fort Fisher dining & entertainment: The Beach House Bar & Grill located at Fort Fisher Air Force Recreation Area, Kure Beach, N.C., offers a "Grill Your Own Steak" special every Saturday night throughout the summer. Lenny Frank, a "one-man band," plays variety musical entertainment at the Beach House July 28, Aug. 11 and 25, and Sept. 1. For more information, call (910) 458-6549 or toll free at (800) 645-9725.

New Hope train rides: A seven-mile train ride through the New Hope Valley takes place the first Sunday of every month beginning Aug. 5 at noon, 1, 2, 3 and 4 p.m. People should arrive 30 minutes prior to the desired departure time. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and younger. For more information, call 362-5417 or visit www.mind-spring.com.

Dirt-track racing: The Wayne County Speedway, located at 3451 Nahunta Rd. in Pikeville, holds races Fridays at 8 p.m. Coolers are allowed, but are limited to 14 inches in height. Glass containers are prohibited. The cost is \$12 for adults, \$6 for children 6 to 12 years old and children ages five and younger are free. For more information, call 242-6680 or visit www.wcsracing.com.

Free outdoor concerts: A free starlight concert series is scheduled for Friday nights in July and August at 7:30 p.m., at the Page-Walker Art and History Center in Cary. Dave Albert and his All-Star band featuring Dick Gable will perform tonight. Moment's

Notice is scheduled for Aug. 3 and Baby Blues is scheduled for Aug. 17. For more information, call (919) 460-4963.

Walnut Creek: The Alltel Pavilion at Walnut Creek has many summer concerts scheduled. Destiny's Child will be performing with Nelly, Eve, 3LW and Jessica Simpson Saturday at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$22.50 to \$42.50. Stevie Nicks will be performing Wednesday with Jeffery Gaines. Tickets are \$20 to \$65. Trey Anastasio will perform July 27 at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$27. Big Shingding featuring the Barenaked Ladies, Vertical Horizon, Nelly Furtado and more are scheduled for Aug. 4. Tickets are \$25 to \$40. The pavilion is located at 3801 Rock Quarry Rd. in Raleigh. Parking is additional. For tickets, call Ticketmaster at 834-4000. For more concert information, call 831-6666 or visit www.alltelpavilion.com.

Tryon Palace: The Tryon Palace located at 610 Pollack St. in New Bern, offers tours Mondays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays from 1-4 p.m. The palace was the first state capitol of North Carolina and has been completely restored. For more information, call (800) 767-1560 or visit www.tryon-palace.org.

Exploris Museum: The Exploris Museum in Raleigh is an interactive museum with many hands on exhibits for children and young adults to enjoy. The museum is open Tuesdays through Sundays and is located in downtown Raleigh. For more information, call (919) 834-4040 or visit www.exploris.org.

N.C. Zoological Park: The North Carolina Zoological Park features over 1,100 exotic animals in an all-natural habitat zoo. The park is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., April through October and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., November through March. The park, which is one of the largest zoos in the country, is located six miles south of Asheboro. Wheelchairs are free. Strollers are available to rent for \$4. Tickets to the park are \$10 for adults and \$6 for children ages 2-12. Seniors over 62 are also \$6. For more information, call (800) 488-0444 or visit www.nczoo.org.

Country music: The Goldsboro Uptown Country Music Show will be held Aug. 3-4 at 7:30 p.m. at the Paramount Theater. For more information, call 689-9638.

Carolina Ballet: Season tickets are currently on sale for the Carolina Ballet. The troop will be performing "Romeo and Juliet" from Sept. 20-29, "Nutcracker," from Dec. 15-24, "Cabaret," from Feb. 14-23, "The Messiah," from March 28-31 "Ciompi Premieres," from April 11-21 and May 4-5 and "Firebird" from May 16-19. Tickets are priced according to seating and performance. Package options include three-ballets, \$22.50-\$143, two ballets, \$17 to \$95 and a flexible pass for \$90. Single tickets are available for \$5 to \$46. For more information, call (919) 303-6303 or

Ticketmaster at 834-4000.

Trolley tour: A 45-minute narrated historic trolley tour of downtown Raleigh is offered Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The tour included stops at Mordecai Historic Park, Mimosa Street, Wake Forest Road and city market. An all day pass is \$5 for adults and \$2 for ages 7 to 17. Children 6 and younger are free. For more information, call (919) 834-4844.

Theater festival: The National Black Theater Festival, featuring performances of over 100 artists, will be July 30 through Aug. 4 at various venues in the Winston-Salem area. A complete listing of performances is available at www.NBTF.org. For more information, call (336) 723-7907.

Museum: The North Carolina Museum of History is currently running an exhibit of historic photography. The exhibit titled "Picturing the Century: 100 years of photography from the National Archives" will run through Sept. 9. The museum is open Tuesdays-Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Guided tours are available Saturdays and Sundays at 1:30 p.m. The museum is located at 5 E. Edenton St. in Raleigh. For more information, call (919) 715-0200 or visit www.ncmuseumofhistory.org.

Aquarium: The North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knolls shores is open daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The aquarium is located on Pine Knolls Boulevard, off N.C. Highway 58 in Atlantic Beach. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors and military and \$1 for children ages 6-12. Children 6 and younger are free. For more information, call (252) 247-4003 or visit www.ncaquariums.com.

Military museum: The Airborne and Special Operations Museum, located at 100 Bragg Blvd. in Fayetteville, is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. For more information, call (910) 483-3003.

Planetarium: The Morehead Planetarium, one of the largest planetariums in the United States. The planetarium is located on the north end of the campus of The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and currently has many shows including Winnie-the-Pooh and the Golden Rocket, Earth, Moon and Sun, Solar System Adventure and Supernova. The planetarium is open Sundays through Wednesdays from 12:30 -5 p.m. and 7-9:45 p.m. and Thursdays through Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7- 9:45 p.m. Admission for regular planetarium programs is \$4.50 for adults, and \$3.50 for children, students, and senior citizens. Tickets go on sale one half-hour before show times. Schedule is subject to change. Groups of 20 or more should call ahead for a reservation. For a complete listing of shows, visit www.morehead.unc.edu. For more information, call (919) 962-1236.

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World War II ace flies with ‘Grim Reapers’

**By Senior Airman
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Public Affairs*

ROYAL AIR FORCE LAKENHEATH, England (AFPN) - As World War II raged in Europe, flying ace Bud Anderson patrolled the British skies engaging in aerial combat with his German rivals.

Now, nearly 60 years later, he had the opportunity to cruise the same skies. This time, however, aboard an F-15D Eagle instead of his P-51 Mustang.

On July 6, Anderson received an incentive ride with Lakenheath's 493rd Fighter Squadron, returning to Royal Air Force Lieston - the base where he was stationed during the 1940s.

"It was an outstanding flight," Anderson said. "It was so amazing to look out my window and see us flying side by side with a P-51 painted up just like the one I had during World War II. It had my name on the side, the kill markings and the same color scheme. It was really a special and memorable

moment in my life."

Anderson, along with fellow aces Bob Goebel, Lee Archer and Don Blakeslee, spent several days with the 493rd FS - getting tours and telling stories with the latest generation of air-to-air pilots.

When comparing the Eagle to the Mustang, all Anderson could say was that both were top of the line for their time periods.

"The Eagle is today what the Mustang was 60 years ago - the best in the world," he said. "But, compared to the

Mustang, the Eagle is huge. We looked like a 747 pulling up to the P-51. It was just ... amazing to see these two great aircraft flying together."

Returning to the base he had flown from during the war was yet another highlight for Anderson. Although he had made the trip the day before in the Mustang, he said seeing it from the Eagle cockpit brought back even more memories.

Anderson was not the only one with a memorable experience. His F-15D pilot, Lt. Col. Bob Sneath, said there were no words that could really describe his feeling of flying an ace over the skies of Great Britain.

"All I can say is that it was amazing," Sneath said. "Bud Anderson is a legend, and to be able to fly him around was just such a privilege."

Flying alongside the P-51 Mustang was something Sneath said he will never forget either.

"I'd love to fly a Mustang once, but I doubt that will ever happen," he said. "But, to see it come up and see it fly alongside us over the English countryside was just something that's hard to describe. This was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and it's been one of the greatest days in my Air Force career."



Maj. Lawrence Pravecsek / 48 FW

A restored P-51 Mustang flies alongside an F-15D Eagle carrying World War II ace Bud Anderson and Lt. Col. Bob Sneath, an F-15 pilot with the 493rd Fighter Squadron at Royal Air Force Lakenheath, England, July 6.

Air Force still cautious about pay problems

*RANDOLPH AIR FORCE
BASE, Texas (AFPN)* - Air Force Personnel Center officials here are encouraging airmen with recent pay-status changes to verify those changes with local finance offices.

In May or June, airmen who either became a new officer accession; finalized their re-enlistment within 30 days of their date of separation; or recently returned from a break in active service, might want to check what their pay will be July 13, AFPC officials said.

The recommendation is being made after some airmen with pay-status changes in May and June were not paid correctly at the end of June.

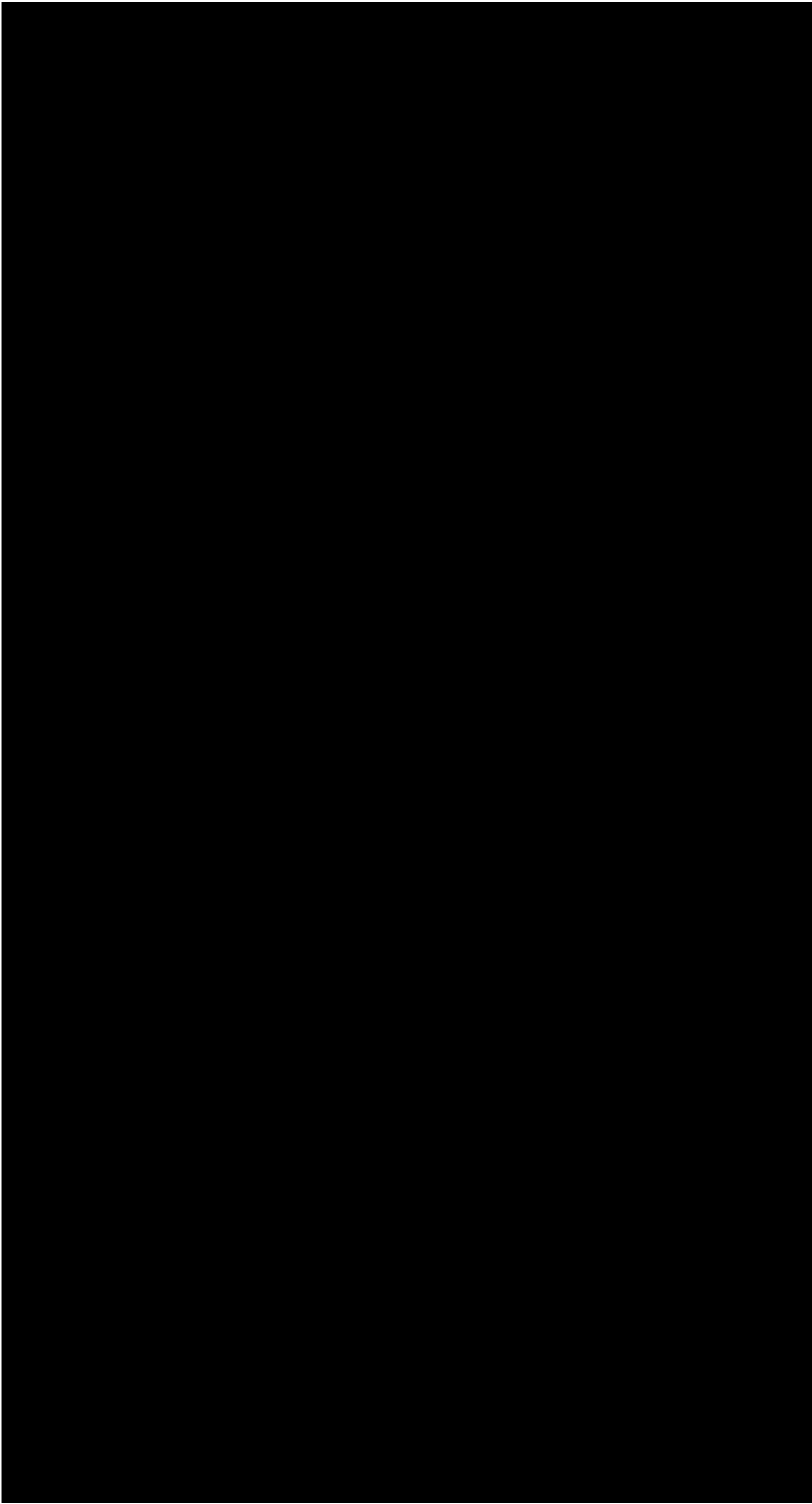
Officials here believe many of the problems have been ironed out.

"We can't say there will be no problems for this payday," said Lt. Col. Richard Treasure, chief of the systems requirements division here. "We could never guarantee that. But most, if not all, of those who were shorted expected pay or bonuses the last one or two pay periods should see their full pay restored, along with a lump sum that makes up for what they have missed."

The glitch that caused problems with people promoted in June not receiving their pay increases has been identified and fixed, Treasure said. The glitch involved name and social security number mismatches. Problems with people not receiving their selective re-enlistment or initial enlistment bonuses have also been fixed.

An estimated several hundred airmen worldwide had to go to their finance offices earlier this month after getting less pay than they had counted on because of problems with the new personnel data system. These problems have been either temporarily or permanently fixed, said officials.

"The folks at (the Defense Finance and Accounting Service-Denver) have been absolutely great, putting in extra hours to help everyone get through this series of difficulties," said Master Sgt. Michael Whirlow, noncommissioned officer in charge of personnel system operations here, and DFAS liaison. "And that has helped us tremendously. They're putting the needs of the airmen first, which is allowing us all to weather this storm."



ON THE FLIPSIDE

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Missile intercept a success

SAN ANTONIO (AFP) - A modified Minuteman Intercontinental Ballistic Missile prototype interceptor successfully targeted and destroyed an unarmed Minuteman II ICBM target vehicle over the central Pacific Ocean on July 14.

The planned interception took place about 10 minutes after the interceptor was launched, at an altitude of more than 140 miles above the Earth. The interceptor destroyed the unarmed warhead at about 15,000 mph.

The test was conducted in support of the Ground-based Midcourse Defense Segment, formerly called the National Missile Defense Program, by the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization in Washington, and the 30th Space Wing, Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif.

An ICBM target vehicle was launched from Vandenberg at 10:40 p.m. EDT. The ICBM prototype interceptor was launched from the Ronald Reagan Missile Site Kwajalein Atoll in the Republic of the Marshall Islands, 4,800 miles away, about 20 minutes later.

"The early indications we have is that everything worked in a nominal mode," said Lt. Gen. Ronald Kadish, director of BMDO.

"These tests take several weeks to deduce the data, but we believe we have a successful test in all aspects at this time," he said. "This test, though, is one stop on a journey. We have a long road ahead in all the missile defense activities."



Air Force photo

An unarmed Minuteman II Intercontinental Ballistic Missile target vehicle blasts away from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. Nearly 30 minutes later, it's destroyed by a Minuteman II ICBM prototype interceptor fired from the Ronald Reagan Missile Site Kwajalein Atoll in the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Kadish said he does not know for sure if the test met all objectives.

"In all probability, some of them were not (met)," he said. "But the early indications are that we have performance in every one of the objectives of the test."

Full test results would be available in two months, he said.

This is the first launch in support of the program this year. The last launch took place July 7, 2000.

As the missileers cheered their success,

airmen from Vandenberg's 30th Security Forces Squadron took four Greenpeace members into custody for trespassing on Vandenberg's Minuteman and Brown beaches during the launch operation.

Vandenberg's 76th Helicopter Flight performed a medivac rescue mission for two of the trespassers, who had been in the waters off the beaches. They were treated for hypothermia.

The four were later transferred to the Kern County Jail.

Desert Rescue



Airman 1st Class Ruth Leannarda / 347 RQW

Staff Sgt. Jay Reinsche, an HH-60G flight engineer with the 41st Rescue Squadron, packs his gear after a Desert Rescue night mission aboard one of the helicopters. For the first time since the 347th Rescue Wing's redesignation as a rescue wing May 8, components of the wing's 38th, 41st and 71st rescue squadrons came together at Fallon Naval Air Station, Nev., June 18-29 for Exercise Desert Rescue.

Air Force recommends not disturbing Savannah bomb

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Air Force officials announced a recommendation July 11 not to recover a nuclear training bomb that was jettisoned off the coast of Savannah, Ga., in February 1958.

The training bomb, which has about 400 pounds of explosives, will remain categorized

as irretrievably lost.

Air Force officials consulted with the Navy, the Department of Energy and the Savannah District Army Corps of Engineers to investigate the details surrounding the incident, the current condition of the bomb and associated hazards.

Each agency studied these

areas independently. The collective opinion is to leave the bomb undisturbed.

Since there was no nuclear capsule on the bomb there is no possibility of an explosion.

The findings also determined that by leaving the bomb undisturbed, the explosives in the bomb are not hazardous to the public. However, the explosives could pose a serious hazard to people and the environment if

disturbed by a recovery attempt.

Additionally, Air Force officials are concerned that the destructive nature of the search and recovery operation, could cause unacceptable short- and long-term environmental damage to the area. A recovery attempt could also cause irreparable damage to the Floridian aquifer, which provides drinking water to the region.

Flea market now online

WASHINGTON - The Air Force's Crossroads Website recently unveiled its flea market.

The site was built at the request of the Air Force community to ease permanent change-of-station moves and help improve retention, said Stefanie Myers, community programs research assistant for the Air Force Family Matters Office.

With the flea market option, Myers said people can post

items, categorized into the auto lot, boat lot, household items, and homes and apartments. They can also search by location and item type.

So whether someone is relocating or just wants to buy or sell something, Myers said the flea market is a valuable tool.

For more information on the flea market or other Crossroads options, go to www.afcrossroads.com.